

THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH—NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

INFORMATION
FOR EVERYBODYBrief Mention of the News, Both
General and Personal.

OF MATTERS OF INTEREST

Notes of More Than Passing Notice,
Concise Written That Much May
Be Said in Little Space—Condensed
News for Those Who Read Quickly
and Those Who Have No Time to
Spare to Learn What Is Going on
in the City and Surrounding Sec-
tion.

Preparatory communion services were held last night in the lecture room of the Presbyterian Church.

Justice A. S. Watts, of the Hastings Court, is confined to his home on London street. He has been unable to hold court for several days.

Mrs. Annie F. Cherry died at her home yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. The interment took place yesterday afternoon in Oak Grove cemetery. The Rev. Frank Hall officiated.

Mr. J. A. Denson's store on Middle street was broken into Wednesday night. The parties must have been frightened off, nothing being missed. This is the fourth or fifth attempt recently.

All the stores under Hotel Portsmouth are rented except one, and that will be shortly, or as soon as it is ready for occupancy.

Some time during Thursday night some one stole a number of chickens from the residence of Mr. Walters.

It is more than probable that the committee from the various bodies of the two cities will leave for Washington on Sunday night to try and secure more work for this year.

The light-house steamer Violet will leave to-day for Washington, N. C. She has been having some slight repairs made.

Mrs. Belle Wright, of Smithfield, is in the city on a visit to relatives. Ocean Council, R. A., will attend services at Monumental Church to-morrow night.

Want of slate has delayed the workmen in putting the roof on St. Paul's Church.

The Wasp has been taken out of the dry dock and the Vixen put in her place.

The rain for the past few days has caused the market house floor to be nasty and dirty.

In a few days the city will be free from all contagious diseases.

The question is being daily asked what the city purchased the property at the foot of Union Bridge for if they do not intend to fill it up and make use of it.

The investigation of a free fight, which occurred in South Portsmouth on Tuesday night, was continued until to-day.

A white man for drunkenness and using o's as language was fined \$10. Mr. Robert Dyson, who has been sick for some time, is considered in extremis.

Mr. Frank Benson accidentally fell on the street yesterday and hurt himself quite badly. Mr. Benson was paralyzed some time ago, which causes him to walk badly.

A negro boy was knocked down yesterday by a wood cart and run over while crossing the corner of Green and London streets. The boy was walking across the street backwards and did not see the cart until the horse struck him.

Mr. James Mehan, of the Bristol News, was in the city yesterday en route to New York. He paid the Virginian-Pilot office a visit. He is a very pleasant gentleman.

The bids for building the new part to Hotel Portsmouth have not been opened. The first contract ran up as high as \$15,000, but the plans were changed and new bids were asked for in accordance with this change.

Mr. John A. Cold and A. H. Martin have returned from Richmond, where they had been in the interest of the bills that were introduced by Senator Maynard.

Several shots were fired in quick succession on the suburbs yesterday morning about 5 o'clock, but it could not be learned who fired them, or for what purpose.

Men are being called in the navy yard every day. The force now is quite large, but unless the committee who will visit Washington shortly succeeds in getting more work there will be but little to do.

A drunken colored man strayed out on the S. A. L. trestle works Thursday night and fell asleep, and would have been killed by a train that passed over but for a brakeman seeing him in time to stop the car and get him off.

Park View Baptist Church, Rev. W. P. Hines, pastor—Bible school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. Subject: "Watchfulness." At 7:30 p. m. Rev. Tyree Whitehurst will preach. At the close of the morning service the Lord's supper will be celebrated.

Miss Lucy Johnson, of Roper, N. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Chester, in Prentiss Place.

Ticket 148 won the clock at J. S. Thornton's last night.

Mr. R. E. King tells you that he is selling eggs for 16 2-3 cents.

Dr. R. L. McMurrin delivered an address yesterday before the medical society at Newport News on "Contagious Diseases."

Old Dominion Lodge, I. O. O. F., installed officers last night. District Deputy Grand Master Arthur E. Etheredge presided. After the installation a spread was set for those present.

Mr. Matthew Cain is confined to his home with rheumatism.

Miss Maggie Thomas, who has been spending the holidays with Miss Hattie Gray, of South Portsmouth, left for Gloucester yesterday.

The New York Clothing Company's semi-annual sale begins to-day.

Miss Sallie Williams, the daughter of Ambrose R. and Sarah P. Williams, of

No. 105 North street, Park View, died last night about 12 o'clock. She was aged 14. The funeral announcement will be made later.

MEETING OF BOARD OF TRADE.
The Board of Trade held a meeting at their rooms over the People's Bank yesterday at 1 o'clock for the purpose of electing officers and to appoint a Committee on Public Building and securing work for the year.

Mr. G. Hatton presided.

Mr. A. E. Warner moved that a committee be appointed to solicit members and to reorganize the board under a new name, and that the election of officers be postponed until the committee so appointed were ready to make their report. The proposition submitted was to organize, under a charter, with a capital stock of \$500, divided in shares of \$5 each, the stock to be taken by members and the dues to be credited on their subscription. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The chair then appointed as a Committee on Reorganization and Charter Messrs. A. E. Warner, C. R. Nash, John T. King, John L. Watson and C. S. Sherwood.

The question of a public building was considered and a committee appointed to promote the passage of a bill before Congress to that effect.

The matter of assisting the workmen was discussed for some time and to try and get the Government to have one or more of the fourteen cruisers built at this yard.

Mr. Sherwood moved that a committee of five to act with other committees from various bodies, who are working for the same end, be appointed.

Mr. Hatton thought that the committee appointed on Public Buildings could act in both cases. He then appointed Hon. H. L. Maynard, C. S. Sherwood, F. L. Crocker and John T. King as a committee on both.

On motion the chairman, Mr. Hatton, was added to the committee.

The committee appointed was instructed to meet at such time and place as may be arranged by the committee previously appointed from other organizations.

There being no other business, the board adjourned until such time as the Committee on Reorganization are ready to make their report.

STREET CAR RUNS INTO A HORSE.

Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock a street car on the Portsmouth Street Railroad ran into a horse and wagon belonging to Mr. Frank Lindsay standing in front of his store on Crawford street, and injured him quite badly. The motorman and conductor have been summoned to appear before Mayor Baird this morning.

The railroad people claim that the car was only going at a slow rate. When within ten feet of the horse they reared up and jumped across the track, which caused the accident. Two witnesses who saw the accident said that the car was coming very fast and that the horse's head was turned towards the navy yard when the car struck the wagon, knocking the horse on the track and hurting him quite badly. The gentleman claims that the accident was pure carelessness. The whole thing will come out before the Mayor.

EFFECTS OF THE STORM.
The wind Thursday night blew at the rate of 30 miles an hour. During the worst of the storm, about 11 o'clock, a number of oyster boats were caught in it.

A boat belonging to Mr. Dutch Dunn had all her sails blown off, and had to run in Lambert's Point for safety. Mr. Dunn and three men were on board.

Mr. Dunn says he has been coming in and out of the harbor for some time and never experienced such a hard wind before. The sails were stripped off like they had been cut with a knife.

A sloop on which a colored man named Henry Taylor and a boy got caught off Craney Island and turned over. The man and boy both clung to her bottom until she was driven ashore. All the oysters were lost. The boat was righted yesterday and had to be brought to this city for some repairs.

WILL MEET TO-NIGHT.
In this issue notice is given that the committee of the two cities appointed to visit Washington will meet to-night at the Board of Trade rooms, over the People's Bank, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of organization and to formulate plans of operations and to select a chairman.

The committee want to leave Sunday night for Washington. There will be seventeen from this city and nearly as many from Norfolk.

A telegram was received by the committee last night from Senator Martin, stating that he would accompany them to the Secretary.

Y. M. C. A. NEWS.
Rev. J. J. Hall, D. D., pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Norfolk, will make a special address to men to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. Dr. Hall is well known as an interesting and helpful speaker.

The Boys' Gospel Army service will be held at 3 o'clock.

As previously announced, the Association has made arrangements for the use of Armory Hall for basketball games. Practice games will begin early next week.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENT.
Mr. Fred J. Simmons, of this city, and Mr. Hand, of Berkeley, received their appointments Thursday as acting carpenters in the United States navy. They will enter upon their duties at once.

W. H. Brown, colored, who has been employed as a messenger in the Steam Engineering Department, has been transferred to Newport News Custom-house as outside inspector of customs in place of P. H. Corrigan, deceased.

BROKE HIS ARM.
Yesterday morning a small Italian boy was swinging on a large gate on Columbia street, and the hinges broke, letting the boy fall to the ground, the gate falling on top of him, breaking his arm near the elbow. He was carried to his home in South Portsmouth where medical aid was summoned. The little fellow's screams could have been heard several blocks off.

Chas. R. Welton & Co. have removed to 208 High street, Noah's Ark's old stand.

THEY WERE MISLED.

The Officers returned no Wiser Than When They Left.

The time for the hanging of Walter Cotton passed yesterday. Interest in him has been kept up ever since his escape until a number of people believed that he had been captured and that the authorities had him hid and would not bring him out for fear of lynching.

Rumors have been circulated that he was in first one place and another. Sheriff Smith has made every effort to catch him and has spent money to do so. He has offered a reward of \$250 for his capture.

On Tuesday last a man named Bennett, who claims Berkeley as his home, came into the station-house and said that he had just come from Savannah and that he saw Cotton and talked to him. He was positive that it was Cotton, as he knew him, as he had walked from the courthouse to the jail with Deputy Sheriff Abbott while he had Cotton in charge. To prove what he said was true, he said he hoped that he might be paralyzed if it was not so. Upon this statement and the positive assurance of Bennett, Mr. Smith concluded to send Officer Hoofnagle and Deputy Sheriff Abbott off on Monday night.

They left via S. A. L. for Savannah. On arriving there Bennett said: "I will go see the boss and find out where Cotton is. When I saw him he was begging for something to eat and the gentleman gave him some post holes to dig." He went off and returned; said that the man who employed him had gone out in the county and would be back later. The three went around the city together. Bennett suggested that he would go in a house near by and see if Cotton was in there. At this point Bennett skipped and neither of them saw him again. The officers returned home no wiser than they were when they left. They learned no tidings whatever of Cotton.

They arrived here yesterday at 7:30, and a rumor was current that the officers brought Cotton with them. All the morning a number hung around the jail, believing that he would be hung. They frequently went to the rear of the yard to see if a gallows was being erected, and not until a late hour would they believe that he was not to be hung. A number of bets were made that he would be hung.

The authorities are still in the dark and are at a loss to tell where to go to look for him.

EARLY CLOSING.

In this issue notice is given that the undersigned merchants will begin closing their places of business at 7 p. m. from February 1st to December 1st, except 8th and 10th of each month and Saturdays. The clerks have worked hard to bring this about, and they deserve the time it will give them. They feel grateful to the merchants who responded so liberally.

TRANSFERRED TO THIS CITY.

Constable Hutchinson went to Hampton yesterday after a man named Wm. Mason, alias Spittire, who is wanted in this county for stealing clothing. He has just completed a long term in Hampton.

Capudine cures while you wait, all your aches and pains. One bottle will convince you.

Who Will Be the First?

We will build a home in Park View with all modern improvements to suit you for \$200 cash and balance on terms to suit you. Call to-day. The Seaboard Real Estate Co., 214 High street, up-stairs.

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Good Investments.

We have clients who wish to negotiate loans on first mortgage real estate to the amount of \$5,000 to \$10,000, in sums ranging from \$500 to \$2,500. If you desire first-class investments call at once. The Seaboard Real Estate Co., 214 High street, up-stairs.

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R. E. KING,

Old Phone 2331. 200 COURT STREET.

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Best Grades. Prompt Delivery.

Lindsay & Co.

Cor. Crawford and Columbia Sts. BOTH PHONES. de31-1m

J. E. LOWE & CO.,

West Queen Street.

COAL AND WOOD.

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The Best Quality.

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Prompt Delivery.

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PEARSON'S CAFE

This is the nearest, cheapest and quickest place in the city to get a meal at small cost. Game, Oysters, Birds, &c., at all times. Open from 8 a. m. to 1 a. m.

H. O. PEARSON,

NEAR FERRY WHARF.

DIED.

HYMAN.—At the residence of her parents, North Cooke street, Park View, Portsmouth, Va., January 12th, 1900, at 8:30 o'clock p. m., LILLIAN WATTS, daughter of Theophelus L. and Mary P. Hyman, aged 13 years, 6 months and 12 days.

Funeral services at the residence THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON at 1 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend. Remains will be taken via N. & C. 2:20 train to Hamilton for interment.

NUCKOLLS.—Suddenly, at the residence of her husband, No. 516 Clifford street, Portsmouth, Va., January 9, 1900, MRS. ANNIE M. NUCKOLLS, wife of Ernest E. Nuckolls, aged 28 years, 2 months.

The interment was in Oak Grove cemetery Wednesday, January 11, 1900, private. The Rev. R. F. Beadles officiated.

FOR SALE—ALL THE FURNITURE in my house. Carpets, Hostess Bed Room Suits and Feather Beds must be sold; bargains for housekeepers. B. F. HOWELL, 412 Washington street. Jail-24

FOR RENT—THREE UNFURNISHED rooms, central location, on car line, good neighborhood, rent very cheap. Man and wife preferred. Address "A. B. C.," care Virginian-Pilot. Jail-31

FOR RENT—NEW 7 ROOM HOUSE on Pearl street, Park View. Apply to J. W. DOZIER, corner Green and Carroll streets. Jail-1w

Early Closing Notice.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED MERCHANTS agree to close our places of business at 7 o'clock, excepting Saturdays and the month of December and the 8th and 10th of each month, beginning January 15, 1900:

Hofheimer Brothers Company, (Per B. Hofheimer.)
New York Clothing Company, Mrs. Jennie Rosenbaum, (Per J. H. Rosenbaum.)
Jacobson Bros.,
Jas. Rosenbaum,
Wm. B. Daughtrey & Co.,
Dorin Bros.,
Emmett Deans,
Rosenbaum Shoe Co.,
Breslau & Anthony,
W. N. White,
Farley & Davis,
Levy & Jacobs,
Chas. R. Welton & Co.,
The Brandt Co. (Maurice A. Brandt, Sec. Treas.)
John C. Ashton
F. P. Nash,
T. P. O'Connor,
W. C. Nash,
G. E. Smith,
Brown's Bazaar,
(Per L. Shrier.)
J. A. Morris,
(Per J. A. Brittingham.)
Thos. Scott's Sons & Co.,
John Willis, Jr.,
(Per Heath.)
W. M. Bennett,
Long & Talferro,
S. W. Mooney,
J. S. Crawford,
C. M. Reynolds,
A. J. Phillips. Jail-11

Attention! Attention!!

The committees of the Board of Trade of the cities of Portsmouth and Norfolk, the committees of the Councils and the committees of the Business Men's Association of the above cities will meet the committee elected at the mass-meeting held in Portsmouth on last Wednesday night to go to Washington, at the Board of Trade rooms, over the People's Bank, corner High and Crawford streets, THIS (Saturday) EVENING at 7:30 o'clock sharp. A full attendance is requested. By order of the Chairman, CALDER H. HERBERT, Secretary.

It (Portsmouth Star copy.)

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GREEN AND QUEEN STS.
Bell Phone 275.

20c—Fine Peaches—20c
The scarcity of Peaches last season makes high prices with many dealers. I bought early an extra heavy syrup California Peach, and am giving my customers the benefit of my low purchase. Try Strawberry Beets, tender and juicy.

E. R. BARKSDALE
BOTH PHONES. 12 COURT ST.
Delivery Wagon for sale cheap.

FOR RENT.
No. 405 Dinwiddie street, 7 rooms and 2-story kitchen; bath, sewerage, etc. Rent, \$240 per annum. Immediate possession.

JNO. L. WATSON,
209 HIGH STREET.

NOTICE! NOTICE!
Hot every one in need of DRY PINE WOOD can get it from H. B. WILKINS' Big Drying Shed that keeps hundreds of cords dry at a time. CALL PHONE 2118.

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New York Clothing Co.'s
Great Semi-AnnualClearance Sale
BEGINS TO-DAY.Men's and Boys' Clothing to
Go at Actual Cost.

214 HIGH STREET, PORTSMOUTH, VA.

Three Attractions

WHICH MEN OF GOOD TASTE MUST APPRECIATE.

NO. 1.

Men's stylish winter weight Blue Serge, \$3.45, sold all season at \$13.50.

NO. 2.

Sale of Men's Trousers, about 200 pairs, \$1.50, sold up to \$3.00 all season.

NO. 3.

Sale of Suit Patterns in tailoring, only one suit of a kind, \$14.75, sold up to \$25. Seeing is believing, and one glance will convince you that the values offered by us are all we represent them.

Bear us in mind, gentlemen, when you make up your mind to get a pair of those celebrated, good looking Shoes at

\$2.85 and \$4.00

The approval of the ladies of our \$2.00 Shoes—they are a great bargain for the quality and style. Sold elsewhere at \$2.50.

THE BRANDT CO., 213 and 215 High Street,
Strictly One Price. For Cash Only.

Hot Water Bags, Syringes
and Atomizers.

Our 2-quart heavy weight hot water Bags at 25c, have no equal. We have a large quantity of 2-quart Fountain Syringes. Sold everywhere at 75c, our price for the next ten days, 50c. Our extra heavy weight pure gum 2-quart Hot Water Bags, regular price \$1, we will sell for the next ten days at 87c. Atomizers in all styles, fancy and medicinal, from 25c to \$1.50. We also sell extra Rubber Tubing, lengths for fountain syringes, at 25c. Extra Syringe Pipes, Douche Tips, &c.

JEROME P. CARR,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL CUT
RATE DRUGGIST.
Corner Court and County, and Green,
near Bart street.

Goods That Must be Sold to Make Room.

Special Sale. —OUR STOCK— **Special Sale.**

Ladies' Jackets, Children's Jackets, Children's Wrappers and Furs

Will be sold at the uniform discount of 30 per cent., which is less than factory cost. Fifty Ladies' Shopping Skirts will be sold at a discount of 25c. on the dollar. They are made well and cut by the latest patterns. Three hundred pieces of underwear at the uniform price of 25c. These are odds and ends, and not one piece among them can be duplicated for less than from 50c. to \$1.00. All Mourning Remnants will be sold at half price. Remember the sale begins promptly at 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

A. J. PHILLIPS, Under Elks' Hall, Portsmouth, Va

REMOVAL NOTICE.

We have moved our COAL YARD from near ferry wharf to our ice factory, on High street, where we are prepared to serve our customers promptly with all the best coals on the market.

PORTSMOUTH COAL & ICE CO.
J. S. MILLER, Manager.

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All goods in my line to be sold at Special Prices this week
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On account of a very large stock of Wood on hand, and to make room for more that will be here shortly, we will, for ONE WEEK ONLY, beginning MONDAY, January 8th, sell to the family trade our Pine Wood at \$1.10 per 1/4 cord for cash only, and our Hard Wood at \$1.25 per 1/4 cord.

1000 Washington street, 8 rooms, \$20—conveniences; 18 Middle street, conveniences 8 rooms, \$25; 1317 Washington street, 6 rooms, \$9; 1319 Washington street, 6 rooms, \$10.50; 510 Scott street, 7 rooms, \$12.50; 204 Washington street, 7 rooms, \$14; nice house Linden avenue, 7 rooms, \$16; 218 and 220 Crawford street—store—\$29; 3 new houses in suburbs, 9 rooms, \$9 each; 1 new Cottage Place, 7 rooms, \$12.50; store corner Race and Washington, \$7.

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Real Estate, Rents & Insurance.
329 High Street.

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